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SUBJ: SC MEETING ON BEIRUT RAID: CONTINUED ISRAELI POSTURE

1. ISRAELI PERMREP TEKOAH CALLED AMB SCALI AM, APRIL 16, TO STATE HE WAS CONCERNED OVER WAY SC MEETING WAS PROGRESSING SINCE UK / FRENCH WERE USING LEBANESE / EGYPTIAN DRAFT AS BASIS DISCUSSION. HE WISHED REITERATE HIS VIEW THAT ACCEPTABLE DRAFT WAS IMPOSSIBLE TO ACHIEVE AND HOPED US WOULD USE VETO. TEKOAH INDICATED HE WOULD PREFER US REFRAIN FROM FURTHER EFFORTS FIND BALANCED RES. HE ADDED THAT ZAYYAT' S APPARENT DESIRE REOPEN ENTIRE ME ISSUE WOULD UPSET US/ ISRAELI EFFORT GET QUIET NEGOTIATIONS UNDERWAY. ZAYYAT' S INITIATIVE COULD SET BACK HOPES OF PEACE FOR SEVERAL YEARS. HE BELIEVED VETO OF LEBANESE RES WOULD DISCOURAGE ZAYYAT FROM CONTINUING ON COURSE HE HAS SET.

2. SCALI REPLIED THAT WE HAD NO ILLUSIONS ABOUT CHANCES OF SUCCESS OF OUR EFFORTS BUT WOULD CONTINUE TO INVESTIAGE POSSIBILITIES, SLIM AS THEY MIGHT BE. WE COULD ASSURE ISRAELIS
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THAT WE WOULD LOOK VERY RIGOROUSLY AT ANY DRAFT FOR BALANCE.

3. DURING SC DEBATE APRIL 16. TEKOAH MADE HARD HITTING RIGHT
OF REPLY WHICH STRUCB OUT, ONT ONLY AT ARABS, BUT AT
INDONESIANS, AUSTRIANS, AND SECURITY COUNCIL AS AN INSTITUTION.
WE CANNOT OF COURSE DEFINE TEKOAH' S MOTIVES. HIS REMARKS WERE
ABOVE ALL SKILLFUL AFFIRMATION OF KEY POINTS IN ISRAEL' S CASE
AND REBUTTAL OF ARAB POSITIONS. IN ANY CASE, HIS REMARKS WILL
HAVE NET EFFECT OF INCREASING TENSIONS AND CREATING UN-
CERTAINTIES, THUS DAMAGING PROSPECTS THAT INFLUENCE OF MODERATES
(E. G., AUSTRIA, AUSTRALIA), OUR OWN FIRM POSTURE, AND BEST
INSTINCTS OF ARABS CAN INTER- ACT TO PRODUCE EVENTUAL RESOLUTION
THAT CAN PASS.
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